

Amendments to the Claims

The rejected Claims 1 - 28 have been amended. The claims as presently presented in the application (ORIGINAL, CANCELLED, AMENDED per A) appear as follows under the heading CLEAN CLAIMS AFTER *RESPONSE A* starting on page 17 of this *RESPONSE A*. The annotated claims as presently presented in the application showing changes using a word-processing compare function appear following under the heading INTERLINED CLAIMS AFTER *RESPONSE A*.